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mental jurists do, but he adds the English and, in many cases, the American authorities also. The student may, therefore, here see a principle of Commercial Law started from its source in the days of Papinian, and traced down to its illustration in the pages of Burrows, or in the judgments of Marshall, or Kent, or Story.

According to the convenient Continental practice, this volume is divided into numbered sections; and an elaborately prepared table of contents affords a ready means of fathoming every section. It has also a copious index, which is in the usual alphabetical style, and adds to ease of consultation. Few books have withstood the sharp test of actual use better than Mr. Bell's, and few deserve a better place in our libraries.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPORTS, Vol. 36. Comprising Cases adjudged in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. By JOSEPH CASEY, State Reporter. Vol. 12; containing Cases decided in part of October Term, 1859; part of January Term, 1860; and in May Term, 1860. Philadelphia: Kay & Brother, Law Booksellers, Publishers, and Importers, 19 South Sixth street, east side. 1861.

We are supplied with the twelfth volume of Mr. Casey's labors. We have already so frequently remarked upon our current series of reports, that perhaps no special note is now necessary. The vast improvement effected in the manner of reporting, the superior excellence and accuracy of the head notes of the cases reported, and the intelligible statement of the case and argument of counsel, together with the crowning comfort of a good law book—an index which really and truly points out the contents of the volume—are all, as usual with this reporter, to be found in this, the concluding volume of his series. We think we express the general sense of the profession when we say, that the office of reporter, during Mr. Casey's term, has been worthily filled, and quite to the satisfaction of his brethren of the bar, and we trust the next reporter may be as accurate and faithful.

REPORTS OF CASES ARGUED AND ADJUDGED IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA. By BENJAMIN GRANT. Vol. 2. Published for the Reporter. Philadelphia: For Sale by H. P. & R. H. Small, Law Booksellers and Publishers, No. 21 South Sixth street. 1861.

Mr. Grant presents the profession with his second volume of reports. It is not to be denied but that the first volume was most excellently reported, and has been useful to the bar. It is, perhaps, undesirable to have any but regular State reports, but the peculiar difficulties under